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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Docket No. N2011-1

**RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS BOLDT  
TO QUESTION POSED BY COMMISSIONER ACTON  
DURING CROSS-EXAMINATION ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2011  
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The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness James Boldt to a question posed by Commissioner Hammond during the evidentiary hearing on September 8, 2011. The question is paraphrased and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VICE CHAIRMAN ACTON:** Okay. And my last question on this right now is that earlier Commissioner Langley talked about -- well, we are trying to get a gauge here for how compromised the present service will be or not by the new alternative access service. And you mentioned that 85 percent of the transactions according to your information are the sale of stamps, I believe?

**THE WITNESS:** Postage, yes.

**VICE CHAIRMAN ACTON:** But that is a universe that is not restricted to these offices at hand?

**THE WITNESS:** No, as we said, it was a subset. This group is a subset.

**VICE CHAIRMAN ACTON:** Okay. Ideally, it 2 would be helpful to have that same percentage, but for only these offices, because one thing that we have experienced here is that what is applicable on a larger scale doesn't always apply for another subset. Is that sort of information gainable?

**RESPONSE**

As indicated in USPS Library References N2011-1/17 and N2011-1/NP11, postage purchase transactions represent slightly under 85 percent of all walk-in retail revenue at the 3650 RAO Initiative candidate facilities.